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SUBJECT: USCGC WESTWIND CLEARANCE REQUEST, 7-22 JULY 1978

- 1. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE EMBASSY OBTAIN CLEARANCE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF DENMARK FOR USCGC WESTWIND (WAGB 281) TO CONDUCT A WEST GREENLAND GLACIER SURVEY DURING THE PERIOD 7-22 JULY 1978, IN CONJUNCTION WITH HER SCHEDULED ARCTIC DEPLOYMENT. THIS SURVEY REPRESENTS THE SIXTH IN A SERIES OF INVESTIGATIONS OF THE PRINCIPAL ICE PRODUCING GLACIERS OF WESTERN GREENLAND. DURING THE TWO WEEK PERIOD, A SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF APPROXIMATELY FOUR PERSONS, HEADED BY CAPTAIN RONALD C. KOLLMEYER, USCG WILL VISIT THE FOLLOWING GLACIERS: JACOBSHAVEN, RINKS, UNIAMAKO, GREAT KARAJAK, ARANGUARELLEQ, KUTJATDLEQ, UPERNIVIK.
- 2. ONE PARTY HEADED BY DR. TERRY HUGHES, A GLACIOLOGIST FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE, WILL CONDUCT AN EXTENSIVE SURVEY AT THE JACOBSHAVEN SITE. A SECOND PARTY HEADED BY CAPTAIN KOLLMEYER WILL SURVEY THE REMAINING GLACIERS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF WESTWIND AND HER HELICOPTERS. UNCLASSIFIED

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DR. HUGHES AND PARTY WILL REMAIN AT THE JACOBSHAVEN SITE FOR THE TWO WEEK PERIOD, AND WILL HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE SETTLEMENT OF JACOBSHAVEN SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.

3. USCGC WESTWIND IS AN ICEBREAKER WITH A LENGTH OF 269 FEET. HER COMMANDING OFFICER IS COMMANDER A. D. SUPER,

USCG. PERSONS ON BOARD INCLUDE 20 OFFICERS AND 150 ENLISTED PERSONNEL. SHIP MONITORS EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES; RADIO CALL SIGN IS NLKL.

- 4. ALL DATA RESULTS WILL BE FREELY SHARED AND ONE BERTH IS AVAILABLE FOR A DANISH OBSERVER.
- 5. ACTION: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SEEK PERMISSION FOR USCGC WESTWIND TO CONDUCT RESEARCH AS DESCRIBED FOR PERIOD 7-22 JULY 1978. VANCE

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